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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action mailed April 1, 2009. In view of a request for a 1-month extension, and the fee therefor, a response is required by August 3, 2009 (since August 1, 2009 is a Saturday). Therefore, this response is timely filed.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the **Listing of Claims** that begins on page 3 of this paper.

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